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The Office Action issued June 23, 2006 has been received and its contents have been carefully considered.

Submitted herewith are replacement drawing sheets for Figures 6 and 8 (which apparently became detached from the application after filing at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office). As requested by the Examiner, the entire set of drawings for this application are included. All of these drawing sheets have been marked with the legend "Replacement Sheet".

Also submitted herewith is a copy of the U.S. PTO return address postcard indicating that all nine figures of the drawings were received at the time of filing.

The indication by the Examiner that claims 9-11 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form and revised to overcome the formal objections under 35 USC §112 is noted with appreciation.

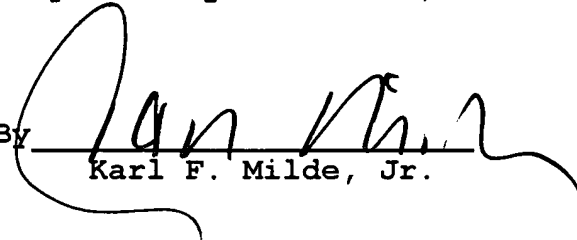
Claim 1 has therefore been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 4 and 9, and claims 4 and 9 have

been canceled. Claims 10 and 11 have been amended to depend from claim 1, rather than claim 9.

In addition, the informalities kindly noted in claims 1, 2 and 9 have been overcome by appropriate amendments to these respective claims.

This application is now believed to be in condition for immediate allowance. A formal Notice of Allowance is accordingly respectfully solicited.

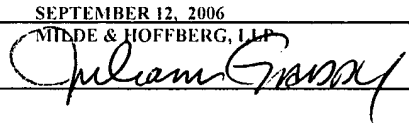
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